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Industries 2441 and 2452

INTRODUCTION

This report presents preliminary statistics from the 1987 Census of Manufactures for those establishments classified in the industries listed above. These data will be superseded by a more comprehensive final paperbound report. The method of data collection and use of administrative data are discussed in detail in the appendix.

All dollar figures included in this report are at prices current for the year specified and, therefore, unadjusted for changes in price levels. Consequently, when making comparisons to prior years, users should take into consideration the inflation that has occurred.

The definitions of these industries are the same as those used in the 1987 Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual.¹

INDUSTRY 2451, MOBILE HOMES

In the 1987 Census of Manufactures, Industry 2451, Mobile Homes, had employment of 39.8 thousand. The employment figure was 7 percent below the 42.8 thousand reported in 1982. Compared with 1986, employment in 1987 decreased 5 percent. The 1986 data are based on the Bureau's annual survey of manufactures (ASM), which is a sample survey conducted each year between censuses.

The total value of shipments for establishments classified in this industry was \$4.1 billion.

In 1987, establishments in this industry accounted for 99 percent of products considered primary to the industry regardless of the industry in which they were produced (coverage ratio). In 1982, the coverage ratio was 99. The products primary to this industry appear in table 2 and aggregated to \$4.0 billion in 1987.

The cost of materials and services used by establishments in this industry amounted to \$2.6 billion in 1987. Data on specific materials consumed appear in table 3.

INDUSTRY 2452, PREFABRICATED WOOD BUILDINGS

In the 1987 Census of Manufactures, Industry 2452, Prefabricated Wood Buildings, had employment of 24.7 thousand.

The total value of shipments for establishments classified in this industry was \$2.4 billion.

In 1987, establishments in this industry accounted for 99 percent of products considered primary to the industry regardless of the industry in which they were produced (coverage ratio). In 1982, the coverage ratio also was 99. The products primary to this industry appear in table 2 and aggregated to \$2.3 billion in 1987.

The cost of materials and services used by establishments in this industry amounted to \$1.4 billion in 1987. Data on specific materials consumed appear in table 3.

ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

The following abbreviations and symbols are used in the tables in this publication:

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|-----|--|
| - | Represents zero. |
| (D) | Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual |

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companies; data are included in higher level totals.

(NA)	Not available.
(NC)	Not comparable.
(S)	Withheld because estimate did not meet publication standards on the basis of either the response rate or a consistency review.
(X)	Not applicable.
(Z)	Less than half the unit shown.
do	Ditto.
n.e.c.	Not elsewhere classified.
n.s.k.	Not specified by kind.
pt.	Part.
r	Revised.
SIC	Standard Industrial Classification.

Other abbreviations, such as lb, gal, yd, doz, bbl, and s tons, are used in the customary sense.

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Table 1. Historical Statistics for the Industry: 1987 and Earlier Years

[Excludes data for auxiliaries. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text. For explanation of terms, see appendix]

Year ¹	Companies ² (no.)	All establishments ³		All employees		Production workers			Value added by manufac- ture ⁴ (million dollars)	Cost of materials (million dollars)	Value of shipments (million dollars)	New capital expendi- tures (million dollars)	End-of- year invento- ries ⁴ (million dollars)	Ratios		
		Total (no.)	With 20 employ- ees or more (no.)	Number (1,000)	Payroll (million dollars)	Number (1,000)	Hours (millions)	Wages (million dollars)						Spe- cial- ization (per- cent)	Cover- age (per- cent)	
1987 Census ----- 1986 ASM ----- 1985 ASM ----- 1984 ASM ----- 1983 ASM ----- 1982 Census ----- 1981 ASM ----- 1980 ASM ----- 1979 ASM ----- 1978 ASM ----- 1977 Census ----- 1976 ASM ----- 1975 ASM ----- 1974 ASM ----- 1973 ASM ----- 1972 Census ----- 1987 Census ----- 1986 ASM ----- 1985 ASM ----- 1984 ASM ----- 1983 ASM ----- 1982 Census ----- 1981 ASM ----- 1980 ASM ----- 1979 ASM ----- 1978 ASM ----- 1977 Census ----- 1976 ASM ----- 1975 ASM ----- 1974 ASM ----- 1973 ASM ----- 1972 Census -----	INDUSTRY 2451, MOBILE HOMES															
	(NA)	389	315	39.8	733.6	32.2	62.6	504.9	1 464.0	2 635.7	4 096.3	58.8	217.5	99	99	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	41.8	735.4	34.1	64.3	496.2	1 400.1	2 636.1	4 053.4	67.9	211.7	(NA)	(NA)	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	44.3	764.0	36.2	68.7	527.8	1 465.5	2 783.8	4 236.5	68.5	248.4	(NA)	(NA)	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	46.8	759.4	38.6	71.9	531.7	1 440.3	2 875.2	4 311.8	66.9	230.8	(NA)	(NA)	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	51.9	820.8	42.7	82.1	596.0	1 582.7	3 219.1	4 785.2	67.6	242.2	(NA)	(NA)	
	261	516	406	42.8	622.4	34.6	63.9	430.3	1 187.4	2 410.1	3 606.4	47.7	194.5	99	99	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	46.4	681.0	37.2	65.6	457.8	1 283.8	2 699.4	3 979.4	44.4	227.1	(NA)	(NA)	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	46.3	620.9	37.0	65.2	426.2	1 142.0	2 364.8	3 506.4	56.4	231.6	(NA)	(NA)	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	51.8	666.3	42.6	80.0	469.7	1 328.8	2 739.7	4 071.2	50.1	228.2	(NA)	(NA)	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	54.6	616.0	44.9	85.1	434.8	1 205.8	2 554.8	3 756.7	38.1	215.6	(NA)	(NA)	
	306	597	465	50.5	527.6	41.8	80.5	371.8	1 030.5	2 175.3	3 199.3	69.8	193.3	99	99	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	45.6	437.8	37.4	73.6	305.9	858.3	1 741.6	2 593.8	24.7	174.9	(NA)	(NA)	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	42.5	374.2	33.5	63.3	250.1	699.8	1 412.7	2 138.4	22.5	157.9	(NA)	(NA)	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	56.7	457.5	45.4	84.8	318.8	773.5	1 780.9	2 560.3	32.0	208.6	(NA)	(NA)	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	75.6	592.2	63.0	117.4	429.8	1 059.9	2 311.8	3 360.3	46.5	259.9	(NA)	(NA)	
	350	683	589	71.9	547.3	60.5	115.1	407.7	1 033.9	2 220.3	3 242.9	63.4	222.6	99	99	
	INDUSTRY 2452, PREFABRICATED WOOD BUILDINGS															
	(NA)	662	253	24.7	463.8	17.9	34.0	271.4	980.8	1 423.1	2 395.9	56.5	248.1	95	99	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	20.3	361.5	14.3	27.8	209.2	777.2	1 207.7	1 987.0	34.6	208.6	(NA)	(NA)	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	18.7	324.1	13.1	23.7	180.7	701.2	1 013.0	1 714.2	35.6	199.3	(NA)	(NA)	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	20.2	325.1	14.3	26.7	181.7	670.1	1 031.1	1 698.2	33.3	217.3	(NA)	(NA)	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	18.2	290.9	12.6	23.6	158.8	624.1	915.6	1 532.2	20.2	194.6	(NA)	(NA)	
	598	647	206	16.8	257.8	11.4	20.8	143.2	553.4	794.0	1 349.0	17.4	175.1	97	99	
	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	19.4	292.5	12.6	22.9	154.7	646.9	953.0	1 613.3	20.9	172.8	(NA)	(NA)	
(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	22.0	315.7	14.7	26.6	168.7	682.8	1 068.2	1 757.0	28.8	197.6	(NA)	(NA)		
(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	29.5	379.2	21.1	37.2	218.1	811.7	1 349.9	2 161.2	38.1	236.1	(NA)	(NA)		
(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	30.8	382.7	22.4	41.9	228.7	885.7	1 375.1	2 266.1	63.3	243.3	(NA)	(NA)		
510	568	287	29.0	330.6	21.2	40.6	204.4	758.6	1 207.1	1 948.6	40.2	229.1	98	98		
(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	16.8	187.4	12.1	22.9	112.1	432.8	662.6	1 099.4	15.6	121.6	(NA)	(NA)		
(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	15.8	165.7	10.9	20.4	97.9	350.3	546.8	904.3	13.5	111.4	(NA)	(NA)		
(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	19.8	193.2	13.0	24.9	111.9	402.3	650.4	1 061.4	24.5	129.5	(NA)	(NA)		
(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	25.6	214.5	18.8	34.9	132.3	484.2	742.7	1 232.6	30.3	157.0	(NA)	(NA)		
262	310	245	25.2	198.1	18.9	34.8	124.1	457.1	609.2	1 046.1	29.6	143.7	97	96		

Note: Establishments of single unit companies with up to 20 employees (cutoff varied by industry) were excluded from the mail portion of the census. Data for these establishments (and a small number of larger establishments whose reports were not received at the time the data were tabulated) were estimated based on administrative-record information from other agencies in conjunction with industry averages. These establishments accounted for the following percent of total value of shipments: SIC 2451, 16%; and SIC 2452, 15%.

¹In annual survey of manufactures (ASM) years, data are estimates based on a representative sample of establishments canvassed annually and may differ from results of a complete canvass of all establishments. ASM publication shows percentage standard errors. Unless otherwise noted, for data prior to 1972, see 1972 Census of Manufactures, vol. II, table 1a of the Industry chapter.

²For the census, a company is defined as a business organization consisting of one establishment or more under common ownership or control.

³Includes establishments with payroll at any time during year.

⁴Beginning with the 1982 Census of Manufactures, all respondents were requested to report their inventories at (the lower of) cost or market prior to adjustment to LIFO cost. This is a change from prior Censuses and annual surveys of manufactures in which respondents were permitted to value their inventories using any generally accepted accounting method. Consequently, inventories and value added by manufacture are not comparable to prior-year data.

Table 2. Product and Product Classes—Quantity and Value of Shipments by All Producers: 1987 and 1982

[Includes quantity and value of products of this industry produced by (1) establishments classified in this industry (primary) and (2) establishments classified in other industries (secondary). Transfers of products of this industry from one establishment of a company to another establishment of the same company (interplant transfers) are also included. For further explanation, see Value of Shipments in appendix. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

1987 product code	Product	1987			1982		
		Number of companies with shipments of \$100,000 or more	Product shipments ¹		Number of companies with shipments of \$100,000 or more	Product shipments ¹	
			Quantity ²	Value (million dollars)		Quantity ²	Value (million dollars)
2451- --	MOBILE HOMES						
	Total -----	(NA)	(X)	4 034.9	(NA)	(X)	3 578.9
24511 --	Manufactured (mobile) homes (35 feet or more in length) -----	(NA)	(X)	3 468.2	(NA)	(X)	3 141.7
24511 11	8 feet to 11 feet, 11 inches in width -----	1,000					
	homes-----	(NA)	2.0	24.9	7	5.1	33.4
24511 13	12 feet in width -----	(NA)	*2.8	31.7	27	**13.7	112.8
24511 15	12 feet 1 inch to 13 feet 11 inches in width -----	do--	(NA)	229.3	22	**24.4	269.7
24511 17	14 feet or more in width -----	(NA)	111.7	1 414.9	76	137.9	1 662.5
24511 18	Double wides-----	(NA)	74.2	1 537.2	73	42.9	827.5
24511 00	Manufactured (mobile) homes (35 feet or more in length), n.s.k. -----	(NA)	(X)	230.0	(NA)	(X)	235.9
24512 --	Manufactured (mobile) buildings, nonresidential -----	(NA)	(X)	226.6	(NA)	(X)	183.7
24512 22	Office and other commercial -----	1,000					
	buildings-----	(NA)	13.9	123.5	45	(S)	143.5
24512 30	Other, including classroom and industrial -----	(NA)	*3.4	77.2	10	(S)	19.9
24512 00	Manufactured (mobile) buildings, nonresidential, n.s.k. -----	(NA)	(X)	25.8	(NA)	(X)	20.3

Table 2. Product and Product Classes—Quantity and Value of Shipments by All Producers: 1987 and 1982—Con.

[Includes quantity and value of products of this industry produced by (1) establishments classified in this industry (primary) and (2) establishments classified in other industries (secondary). Transfers of products of this industry from one establishment of a company to another establishment of the same company (interplant transfers) are also included. For further explanation, see Value of Shipments in appendix. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

1987 product code	Product	1987			1982		
		Number of companies with shipments of \$100,000 or more	Product shipments ¹		Number of companies with shipments of \$100,000 or more	Product shipments ¹	
			Quantity ²	Value (million dollars)		Quantity ²	Value (million dollars)
2451- --	MOBILE HOMES—Con.						
24510 --	Mobile homes, n.s.k.	(NA)	(X)	340.2	(NA)	(X)	253.5
24510 00	Mobile homes, n.s.k., typically for establishments with 5 employees or more (see note)	(NA)	(X)	272.6	(NA)	(X)	236.0
24510 02	Mobile homes, n.s.k., typically for establishments with less than 5 employees (see note)	(NA)	(X)	67.6	(NA)	(X)	17.5
2452- --	PREFABRICATED WOOD BUILDINGS						
	Total	(NA)	(X)	2 256.5	(NA)	(X)	1 286.5
24521 --	Components for stationary buildings (not sold as complete units), including wall, partition, floor, ceiling panels, etc.	(NA)	(X)	394.0	(NA)	(X)	130.9
24521 73	Residential (homes, townhouses, and apartments)	(NA)	(X)	301.7	61	(X)	106.8
24521 75	Nonresidential (includes motels and hotels)	(NA)	(X)	72.7	21	(X)	15.6
24521 00	Components for stationary buildings not sold as complete units, n.s.k.	(NA)	(X)	19.5	(NA)	(X)	8.6
24522 --	Precut packages for stationary buildings (sold as complete units)	(NA)	(X)	362.2	(NA)	(X)	287.2
24522 17	Residential: Log homes 1,000 housing units...	(NA)	(S)	117.8	50	*14.9	148.3
24522 19	Other including homes, townhouses, and apartments do...	(NA)	*13.6	179.0			
24522 23	Nonresidential (includes motels and hotels) 1,000 buildings...	(NA)	(S)	56.2	19	*14.9	128.6
24522 00	Precut packages for stationary buildings sold as complete units, n.s.k.	(NA)	(X)	9.2	(NA)	(X)	10.3
24523 --	Stationary buildings sold as complete units and shipped in panel form	(NA)	(X)	403.8	(NA)	(X)	278.6
24523 33	Residential: Single family, including townhouses 1,000 housing units...	(NA)	13.3	242.9	36	*12.1	148.6
24523 35	Multifamily do...	(NA)	*2.9	26.5	18	6.0	42.7
24523 37	Nonresidential (includes motels and hotels) 1,000 buildings...	(NA)	20.8	120.9	16	*8.9	74.4
24523 00	Stationary buildings sold as complete units and shipped in panel form, n.s.k.	(NA)	(X)	13.5	(NA)	(X)	12.9
24524 --	Stationary buildings shipped with floors and walls, and usually ceilings and roofs in three-dimensional assemblies	(NA)	(X)	749.7	(NA)	(X)	369.1
24524 41	Residential (homes, townhouses, and apartments) 1,000 housing units...	(NA)	20.1	605.2	52	*10.6	255.6
24524 47	Nonresidential (includes motels and hotels) 1,000 buildings...	(NA)	**9.0	124.5	30	9.0	106.8
24524 00	Stationary buildings shipped with floors and walls, and usually ceilings and roofs in three-dimensional assemblies, n.s.k.	(NA)	(X)	20.0	(NA)	(X)	6.7
24520 --	Prefabricated wood buildings and components, n.s.k.	(NA)	(X)	346.8	(NA)	(X)	220.7
24520 00	Prefabricated wood buildings and components, n.s.k., typically for establishments with 10 employees or more (see note)	(NA)	(X)	274.1	(NA)	(X)	132.9
24520 02	Prefabricated wood buildings and components, n.s.k., typically for establishments with less than 10 employees (see note)	(NA)	(X)	72.7	(NA)	(X)	87.8

Note: In 1987 Census of Manufactures, data for establishments of small single unit companies with up to 20 employees were estimated from administrative-record data rather than data actually collected from respondents. Employment cutoffs used for administrative records for each industry and shipments figures are included in code ending with "002". In both 1987 and 1982 Censuses of Manufactures, products not completely identified on standard forms were coded in appropriate product class (five-digit) followed by "00" or to appropriate product group code (four-digit) followed by "000".

¹Data reported by all producers, not just those with shipments of \$100,000 or more.

²For some establishments, data have been estimated from central unit values which are based on quantity-value relationships of reported data. The following symbols are used when percentage of each quantity figure estimated in this manner equals or exceeds 10 percent of published figure: * 10 to 19 percent estimated; ** 20 to 29 percent estimated. If 30 percent or more is estimated, figure is replaced by (S).

Table 3. Materials Consumed by Kind: 1987 and 1982

[Includes quantity and cost of materials consumed or put into production by establishments classified only in this industry. For further explanation, see Cost of Materials in appendix. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

1987 material code	Material	1987		1982	
		Quantity ¹	Delivered cost (million dollars)	Quantity ¹	Delivered cost (million dollars)
	INDUSTRY 2451, MOBILE HOMES				
	Materials, parts, and supplies -----	(X)	2 554.1	(X)	2 369.0
331006	Carbon steel, mill shapes and forms (except castings and forgings) ----- 1,000 s tons..	(S)	62.6	(S)	54.4
332045	Steel castings (rough and semifinished) -----	(X)	8.1	(X)	25.2
344451	Metal siding, including mobile home and recreational vehicle, commercial, industrial, and farm building ----- 1,000 s tons..	(S)	88.1	(S)	102.0
343201	Metal plumbing fixtures, fittings, and trim (including enameled) -----	(X)	32.1	(X)	37.5
344201	Metal doors and door units, windows and window units -----	(X)	82.7	(X)	75.8
345001	Bolts, nuts, screws, washers, rivets, and screw machine products -----	(X)	35.9	(X)	39.8
308013	Plastics fabricated pipe and pipe fittings ----- mil lb..	(S)	31.8	(S)	26.5
243056	Plywood -----	(X)	75.7	(X)	122.5
249310	Particleboard (wood) -----	(X)	68.3	(X)	67.9
249221	Oriented strandboard (OSB) and waferboard ----- mil sq ft..	(S)	30.3	(X)	(⁹)
327511	Gypsum building board ----- mil sq ft..	(S)	117.5	(X)	(⁹)
242103	Dressed lumber -----	(X)	181.4	(X)	203.2
243105	Millwork (including molding, doors, and windows) -----	(X)	46.0	(X)	50.4
243401	Kitchen cabinets, wood ----- thousands..	(S)	34.8	(S)	21.9
227001	Floor coverings, textile ----- mil sq yd..	(S)	64.3	(S)	66.9
339601	Linoleum and other hard-surfaced floor covering ----- do..	(S)	27.8	(S)	18.8
190000	Heating equipment and air conditioners (including heat pumps) -----	(X)	58.2	(X)	47.6
364300	Current-carrying wiring devices, including switches, connectors, lampholders, etc. -----	(X)	41.7	}	45.1
364001	Lighting fixtures -----	(X)	14.5		
329602	Insulating materials: Mineral fiber blankets, batts, and boards ----- mil sq ft..	(S)	62.6	(X)	(⁹)
190046	Loose fill (mineral fiber, cellulose fiber, and other) ----- mil cu ft..	(S)	17.6	(X)	(⁹)
342940	Builders' hardware (including door locks, locksets, lock trim, miscellaneous sash, screen, and shelf hardware; hinges and butts, hangers, tracts, and related items, cabinet hardware, and all other builders' hardware) -----	(X)	29.1	(X)	22.7
251003	Household-type furniture (including tables, sofas, beds, mattresses, etc.) -----	(X)	52.7	(X)	76.0
363001	Household appliances (including refrigerators, cooking equipment, and other household appliances, except air conditioners) -----	(X)	125.5	(X)	136.0
371411	Trailer axles, wheels, brakes, undercarriages, and other metal vehicular parts -----	(X)	109.7	(X)	103.1
301101	Pneumatic tires and inner tubes ----- mil tires..	(S)	31.1	(S)	32.5
970099	All other materials and components, parts, containers, and supplies -----	(X)	346.2	(X)	r 362.7
971000	Materials, parts, and supplies, n.s.k. ² -----	(X)	677.8	(X)	630.5
	INDUSTRY 2452, PREFABRICATED WOOD BUILDINGS				
	Materials, parts, and supplies -----	(X)	1 330.9	(X)	735.5
242110	Rough lumber: Hardwood ----- mil bd ft..	(S)	23.9	**22.8	5.3
242121	Softwood ----- do..	*100.4	27.4	*94.4	23.9
242117	Dressed lumber: Hardwood ----- mil bd ft..	*128.2	33.4	**32.4	11.6
242128	Softwood ----- do..	(S)	258.5	*318.1	94.1
243601	Softwood plywood ----- mil sq ft (3/8 in. basis)..	**247.2	68.8	(S)	29.2
327511	Gypsum building board -----	(X)	27.2	(X)	11.7
342940	Builders' hardware, including door locks, lock sets, lock trim; miscellaneous sash, screen, and shelf hardware; hinges and butts; hangers, tracks, and related items; cabinet hardware and all other builders' hardware -----	(X)	29.3	(X)	9.8
329601	Mineral wool insulation (fibrous glass, rock wool, etc.) -----	(X)	19.4	(X)	11.5
243101	Windows and window units: Wood ----- thousands..	**283.7	41.2	**132.6	12.3
344221	Metal ----- do..	(S)	13.8	*161.3	11.2
243103	Doors and door units: Wood ----- thousands..	(S)	22.1	(S)	9.8
344211	Metal ----- do..	**203.0	25.5	(S)	11.5
295231	Asphalt roofing ----- 1,000 sales sq..	(S)	12.4	(S)	9.6
344451	Aluminum siding ----- 1,000 s tons..	(S)	16.2	**267.7	8.9
344113	Fabricated structural iron and steel, including truss plates, and aluminum ----- do..	(S)	39.2	36.9	22.8
970099	All other materials and components, parts, containers, and supplies -----	(X)	252.0	(X)	r 120.8
971000	Materials, parts, and supplies, n.s.k. ² -----	(X)	420.6	(X)	331.5

¹For some establishments, data have been estimated from central unit values which are based on quantity-cost relationships of reported data. The following symbols are used when percentage of each quantity figure estimated in this manner equals or exceeds 10 percent of published figure: * 10 to 19 percent estimated; ** 20 to 29 percent estimated. If 30 percent or more is estimated, figure is replaced by (S).

²Total cost of materials of establishments that did not report detailed materials data, including establishments that were not mailed a form.

³For 1982, material codes 249221, 327511, 329602, and 190046, were included with material code 970099.



APPENDIX

Scope and Coverage and Explanation of Terms

GENERAL

The 1987 Census of Manufactures is the 32nd census of manufacturing establishments conducted in the United States. For 1987, it was conducted as part of the economic censuses, which included the censuses of mineral industries, construction industries, retail and wholesale trades, service industries, selected transportation activities, and minority-owned and women-owned businesses, under authority of title 13 of the United States Code. Title 13 specifies that an economic census be conducted every 5 years to cover years ending in 2 and 7.

SCOPE AND COVERAGE

Establishment Basis of Reporting

The census of manufactures is conducted on an establishment basis. All manufacturing establishments with one paid employee or more at any time during the year are covered by the census of manufactures. Therefore, a company operating at more than one location is required to file a separate report for each location. This report excludes information for separately operated administrative offices, warehouses, garages, and other auxiliary units which service manufacturing establishments of the same company. Where these auxiliary operations are conducted at the same location as the manufacturing operation, they are usually included in the report for the operating manufacturing establishment.

Use of Administrative Records

From a universe of approximately 350,000 manufacturing establishments in the 1987 Census of Manufactures, approximately 150,000 small single-establishment companies were excused from filing reports. Selection of the small establishment nonmail cases was done on an industry-by-industry basis. A variable cutoff was used to determine those establishments for which administrative records were to be used in place of a census report. The cutoffs were selected so the administrative-record cases would account for approximately 3 percent or less of the value of shipments for the industry. These cutoffs were then adjusted so that all single-establishment companies with less than 5 employees were excluded from the mail canvass, while all establishments with more than 20 employees were included. Where establishments in the 5 to 20 employee size range were included in the mail canvass, an abbreviated census form was frequently used.

For these nonmail establishments, (and a small number of larger establishment whose reports were not received at the time the data were tabulated) data on employment, payroll, and receipts were obtained from administrative records of other government agencies rather than from census forms. The administrative-record information was then used in conjunction with industry averages to estimate the data for these establishments. The value of shipments and cost of materials were not distributed among specific products and materials but were included in the product and material "not specified by kind" (n.s.k.) categories.

EXPLANATION OF TERMS

Number of establishments and companies—A separate report was required for each manufacturing establishment (plant) with one employee or more. An establishment is defined as a single physical location where manufacturing is performed. A company, on the other hand, is defined as a business organization consisting of one establishment or more under common ownership or control.

All employees—Includes all full-time and part-time employees on the payrolls at any time during the year. Included are all persons on paid sick leave, paid holidays, and paid vacations. Officers of corporations are included as employees; proprietors and partners of unincorporated firms are excluded. The "all employees" number is the average number of production workers plus the number of other employees in mid-March. The number of production workers is the average of those for midmonth payroll periods of March, May, August, and November.

Production workers—Includes workers up through the working-supervisor level engaged in fabricating, processing, assembling, inspecting, receiving, packing, warehousing, shipping (but not delivering), maintenance, repair, janitorial, guard services, product development, auxiliary production for plant's own use (e.g., power-plant), recordkeeping, and other closely associated services. Truckdrivers delivering ready-mixed concrete are also included in production workers.

Other employees—Includes nonproduction personnel, including those engaged in the following activities: supervision above working-supervisor level, sales (including driver/salespersons), sales delivery (truckdrivers and helpers), advertising, credit collection, installation and

servicing of own product, clerical and routine office functions, executive, purchasing, finance, legal, personnel (including cafeteria, etc.), professional, and technical employees.

Payroll—Includes the gross earnings for the “employees” defined above, such as salaries, wages, commissions, dismissal pay, bonuses, vacation and sick leave pay, and compensation in kind, prior to such deductions as employees’ Social Security contributions, withholding taxes, group insurance, union dues, and savings bonds. Respondents were told that in reporting they could follow the definition of payrolls used for calculating the Federal withholding tax.

Production-worker hours—Covers hours worked or paid for at the plant, including actual overtime hours (not straight-time equivalent hours). It excludes hours paid for vacations, holidays, or sick leave when the employee was not at the plant.

Cost of materials—Refers to direct charges actually paid or payable for items consumed or put into production during the year, including freight charges and other direct charges incurred by the establishment in acquiring these materials. It includes the cost of materials or fuels consumed, regardless of whether they were purchased by the individual establishment from other companies, transferred to it from other establishments of the same company, or withdrawn from inventory during the year.

The important components of this cost item are (a) all raw materials, semifinished goods, parts, containers, scrap, and supplies put into production or used as operating supplies and for repair and maintenance during the year; (b) electric energy purchased; (c) fuels consumed for heat, power, or generating electricity; (d) work done by others on materials or parts furnished by manufacturing establishments (contract work); and (e) products bought and resold in the same condition.

Specific materials consumed (table 3)—In addition to the total cost of materials which every establishment was required to report, information was also collected for most manufacturing industries on the consumption of major materials used in manufacturing. These inquiries were restricted to those materials which were important parts of the cost of production in a particular industry and for which cost information was available from manufacturers’ records. Establishments consuming less than a specified amount (usually \$10,000) of a specific material were not requested to report consumption of that material separately. Also, the cost of materials for the small establishments for which administrative records were used was estimated as “not specified by kind” (n.s.k.).

Value of shipments and other receipts—Generally refers to received or receivable net selling values, f.o.b. plant (exclusive of freight and taxes), of all products shipped, both primary and secondary, as well as all

miscellaneous receipts such as receipts for contract work performed for others, installation and repair receipts, sale of scrap, and sale of products bought and resold without further processing. Included are all items made by or for the establishment from materials owned by it whether sold, transferred to other plants of the same company, or shipped on consignment. The net selling value of products made in one plant on a contract basis from materials owned by another was reported by the plant providing the materials.

In a few industries, the value of production or value of work completed is used instead of value of shipments. These industries are identified in the introduction and are footnoted in table 1.

In the case of multiunit companies, the manufacturer was requested to report the value of products transferred to other establishments of the same company at full economic or commercial value, that is, including not only the direct costs of production but also a reasonable proportion of “all other costs” (including company overhead and profit).

Shipments or production of individual products (table 2)—In the 1987 census, detailed shipment information was collected for approximately 11,000 individual products. These products are identified by a seven-digit code and are grouped into approximately 1,500 classes of products, which in turn are primary to 459 four-digit industries. Data at the five-digit product-class level have been collected each year as part of the annual survey of manufactures. Information at the seven-digit level, collected for many industries in the current industrial reports program, is not included in this table.

Value added by manufacture—This measure of manufacturing activity is derived by subtracting the cost of materials, supplies, containers, fuel, purchased electricity, and contract work from the value of shipments for products manufactured plus receipts for services rendered. The result of this calculation is then adjusted by the addition of value added by merchandising operations (that is, the difference between the sales value and cost of merchandise sold without further manufacturing, processing, or assembly) plus the net change in finished goods and work-in-process inventories between the beginning and end of the year.

For those industries where value of production is collected instead of value of shipments (see footnote in table 1), value added is adjusted only for the change in work-in-process inventories between the beginning and end of the year. For those industries where value of work done is collected, the value added does not include an adjustment for the change in finished goods or work-in-process inventories.

Value added avoids the duplication in the figure for value of shipments which results from the use of products of some establishments as materials by others. Value

added is considered to be the best value measure available for comparing the relative economic importance of manufacturing among industries and geographic areas.

Expenditures for new plant and equipment—Establishments in operation and any known plants under construction were asked to report their expenditures for (a) permanent additions and major alterations to manufacturing establishments and (b) new machinery and equipment used for replacement and additions to plant capacity if they are of the type for which depreciation accounts are ordinarily maintained.

These totals exclude expenditures for used plant and equipment, expenditures for land, and cost of maintenance and repairs charged as current operating expenses. Data for used plant and equipment will be published in the final industry bulletin.

End-of-year inventories—Comprised of (a) finished products; (b) work-in-process; and (c) materials, supplies, fuels, etc. Beginning in 1982, respondents were asked to report their inventories at (the lower of) cost or market prior to adjustment to LIFO cost. This is a change from prior years in which respondents were permitted to value their inventories using any generally accepted accounting method.

Therefore, 1982 through 1987 data for inventories are not strictly comparable to prior-year data.

Specialization and coverage ratios—An establishment is classified in a particular industry if its shipments of primary products of the industry exceed in value its shipments of the products of any other single industry. An establishments' shipments include those products assigned to an industry (primary products), those considered primary to other industries (secondary products), and receipts for miscellaneous activities (merchandising, contract work, resales, etc.). The following ratios have been developed to measure the relationship of primary product shipments to the data on shipments for the industry shown in table 1 and data on product shipments shown in table 2.

Specialization ratio—Represents the ratio of primary product shipments to total product shipments (primary and secondary, excluding miscellaneous receipts) for the establishments classified in the industry.

Coverage ratio—Represents the ratio of primary products shipped by the establishments classified in the industry to the total shipments of such products that are shipped by all manufacturing establishments, wherever classified.

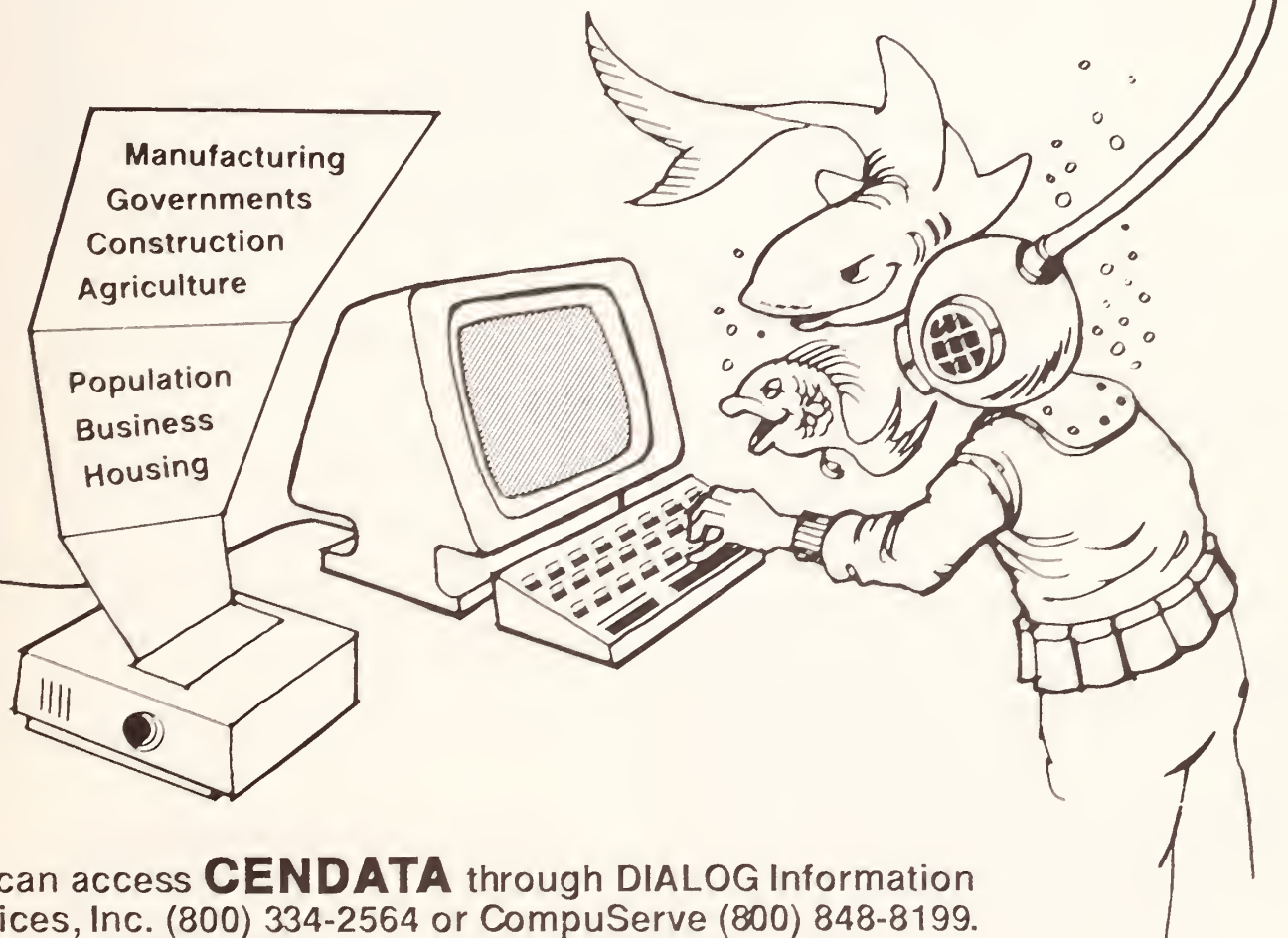


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